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Ad Hoc Advisory Group on Burundi

The Economic and Social Council, recalling its resolutions 2002/1 of 15 July 2002, on the establishment of an ad hoc advisory group on African countries emerging from conflict, and 2003/16 of 21 July 2003, which established the Ad Hoc Advisory Group on Burundi, decides:

(a) To appoint the Permanent Representatives to the United Nations of Belgium, Burundi, Ethiopia, France, Japan and South Africa to the Ad Hoc Advisory Group on Burundi and to appoint the Permanent Representative of South Africa to the United Nations as Chairperson of the Group;

(b) That the Ad Hoc Advisory Group on Burundi will invite the participation in its work of the Permanent Representatives to the United Nations of Guatemala, in his capacity as President of the Economic and Social Council, and of Angola, in his capacity as Chairperson of the Ad Hoc Working Group of the Security Council on Conflict Prevention and Resolution in Africa;

(c) That the Ad Hoc Advisory Group will examine the humanitarian and economic needs of Burundi and review relevant programmes of support and prepare recommendations for a long-term programme of support, based on Burundi's development priorities, through the integration of relief, rehabilitation, reconstruction and development into a comprehensive approach to peace and stability, as well as provide advice on how to ensure that the assistance of the international community is adequate, coherent, well-coordinated and effective and promotes synergy;

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(d) To request the Ad Hoc Advisory Group on Burundi, subject to conditions in the field permitting it, to submit a report on its recommendations to the Council by mid-January 2004.